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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
MIROSLAW Z. BOBER : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION
SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. PCT APPLICATION :
(Based on PCT/JP00/04401)
FILED: HEREWITH :
FOR: METHOD, APPARATUS,
COMPUTER PROGRAM,
COMPUTER SYSTEM AND
COMPUTER-READABLE STORAGE
FOR REPRESENTING AND
SEARCHING FOR AN OBJECT IN
AN IMAGE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-22 without prejudice.

Please add new claims 23-50 as follows:

--23. (New) A method of representing an object appearing in a still or video image,

by processing signals corresponding to the image, the method comprising deriving a plurality